

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND**  
(Northern Division)

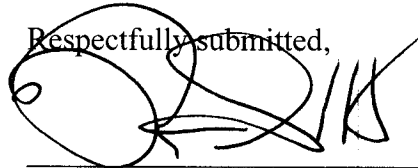
EARLE E. AUSERMAN, et al.	)	
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Plaintiffs,	)	
v.	)	Civil Action No. MJG-01-438
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BANK OF AMERICA CORPORATION, et al.	)	
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Defendants.	)	

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Notice is hereby given that Rodney R. Sweetland, III, counsel in the above-captioned case, hereby appeals on his own behalf to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit from an order imposing sanctions against him entered in this action on February 17, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,



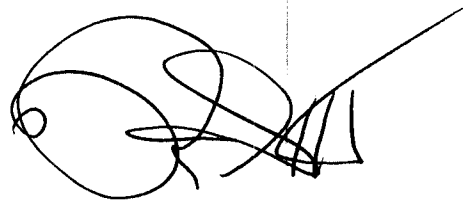
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Pursuant Fed. R. Civ. P. 5(b)(2)(D) and the Local Rules, I hereby certify that on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2005, true copies of the foregoing pleading, the Notice of Appeal, was filed electronically. Service of this filing to all parties, including those listed below, will be accomplished by the Court's ECF system and U.S. mail, and parties may access this filing electronically through the Court's system:

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rodney R. Sweetland, III', written over a horizontal line.

Rodney R. Sweetland, III